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Claims 1-5 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Stefanoni (US 5217177). The second selected width positions can be the same as the first selected width positions.

Claims 1-20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Stefanoni (US 5217177) in view of applicant's admitted prior art or, vice versa, applicant's admitted prior art in view of Stefanoni.

Stefanoni discloses an apparatus having substantially all the claimed features. Applicant's admitted prior art discussed on pages 1-2 of the specification discloses well-known features such as the papermaking machine including slitting width adjustment operation for complementary-sized cores. Steps such as the application of glue, passing the web with a drawing nip, using a flying change unwinder are old and well known in the art and the use of such would have been obvious to a person having ordinary skill in the art to obtain the same functions. The slitting assemblies of Stefanoni are deemed to be adjustable, or alternatively, to make them adjustable, which is old and well known in the art, would have been obvious to a person having ordinary skill in the art to provide for adjustability to obtain the desired web widths as taught by the admitted prior art. Or alternatively, it would have been obvious to a person having ordinary skill in the art to provide the admitted prior art apparatus with slitting assemblies in succession as taught by Stefanoni to facilitate adjustment/changing and reduce down-time.

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Applicant's arguments filed 7/9/02 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

Applicants' remarks regarding "two different sets of web widths" are not commensurate with the scope of the claim 1 and, therefore, have not been further considered.

As noted above, the admitted prior art includes slitting width adjustment operation for complementary-sized cores.

THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL. Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to John Q. Nguyen whose telephone number is (703) 308-2689. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 6:30 AM to 4:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Katherine Matecki, can be reached on (703) 308-2688. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are (703) 872-9326 (before Final) and (703) 872-9327 (after Final).

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